

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 581

Introduced by Assembly Member Chu

February 18, 2003

An act to amend Section 51226.3 of the Education Code, relating to curriculum.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 581, as introduced, Chu. Curriculum: labor relations.

Existing law specifies the course of study for grades 7 to 12, inclusive, and requires the State Department of Education to incorporate specified materials in department publications used as curriculum resources.

This bill would require a labor relations curriculum to be considered in the next cycle in which the history-social science curriculum framework and its accompanying instructional materials are adopted, and would prescribe related matters.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 51226.3 of the Education Code is
2 amended to read:
3 51226.3. (a) The State Department of Education shall
4 incorporate, into publications that provide examples of curriculum
5 resources for teacher use, those materials developed by publishers
6 of nonfiction, trade books, and primary sources, or other public or
7 private organizations, that are age-appropriate and consistent with

1 the subject frameworks on history and social science that deal with
2 civil rights, human rights violations, genocide, slavery, and the
3 Holocaust.

4 (b) The Legislature encourages the incorporation of survivor,
5 rescuer, liberator, and witness testimony into the teaching of
6 human rights, genocide, and the Holocaust.

7 (c) The Legislature encourages all state and local professional
8 development activities to provide teachers with content
9 background and resources to assist in teaching about civil rights,
10 human rights violations, genocide, slavery, and the Holocaust.

11 ~~(e)~~

12 (d) The Legislature encourages all state and local professional
13 development activities to provide teachers with content
14 background and resources to assist in teaching about the Great
15 Irish Famine of 1845–50.

16 ~~(d)~~

17 (e) The Great Irish Famine of 1845–50 shall be considered in
18 the next cycle in which the ~~history/social~~ *history-social* science
19 curriculum framework and its accompanying instructional
20 materials are adopted.

21 ~~(e)~~

22 (f) The Model Curriculum for Human Rights and Genocide
23 adopted by the State Board of Education, pursuant to Section
24 51226, shall be made available to schools in grades 7 to 12,
25 inclusive, as soon as funding is available for this purpose. In
26 addition, the State Department of Education shall make the
27 curriculum available on its Web site.

28 (g) *A labor relations curriculum shall be considered in the next*
29 *cycle in which the history-social science curriculum framework*
30 *and its accompanying instructional materials are adopted. In*
31 *adopting this curriculum, any curriculum developed and*
32 *submitted by a school district shall be reviewed and considered.*

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